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G E N E R A L - NEW SOUTH WALES

Recent statistics of employment, factory production, transport and banking show a continuing improvement in economic activity, in excess of the usual seasonal trends, with prices remaining relatively stable. However, there is still a lag in the absorption of unemployed labour, while building activity and Sydney retail turnovers, although showing some gains over 1961, have not yet returned to the high level of 1960. Seasonal conditions in the State during the early summer months were favourable and the wheat crop is expected to reach near-record proportions. Wool prices in October showed some improvement over the relatively low level prevailing at the opening of the current season. Wool deliveries into stores so far have been rather lighter than in earlier seasons.

PART I : EMPLOYMENT AND NON-RURAL INDUSTRIES

EMPLOYMENT (See also graph p. 144)

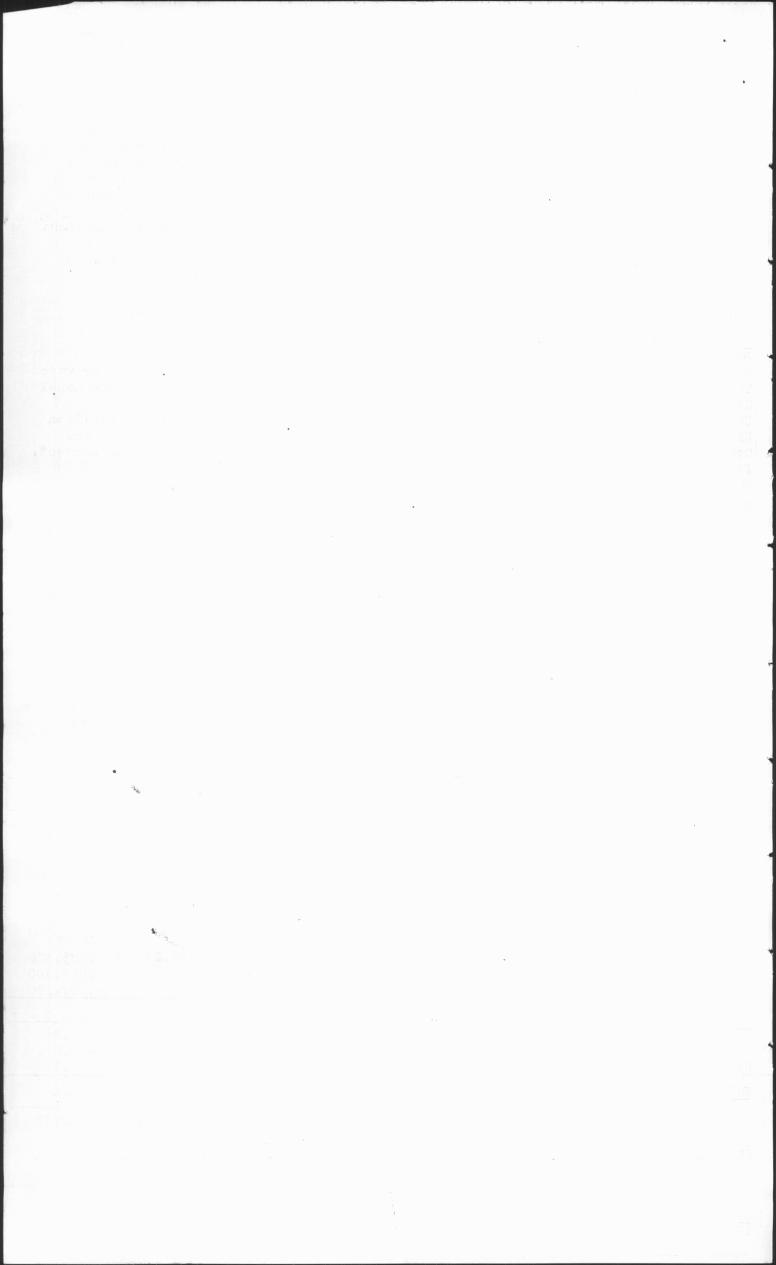
Commonwealth Employment Service, Unemployment Benefit and Private Factory Employment statistics for October (see next page) reflect the usual seasonal upswing in the demand for labour but the number of unplaced applicants has not yet quite returned to the low level of 1960. Civilian Employment series shown below excludes rural workers, defence forces and women in private domestic service; in June 1961 it covered about 91 percent. of all "employees" recorded in the Census.

Civilian Employment in New South Wales recovered, after a fall of 1900 in July 1962, by 900 in August and 3100 in September to a total of 1,208,600. The increase in the month of September was confined to private employment, which rose by 4000 while Government employment fell by 900, and it was slightly more for females (1600) than for males (1500). It occurred mainly in factories (1200), Finance and Trade (1300) and health, education and other services. Employment in factories, mines and building in September 1962 remained less than it was two years ago, i.e., in September 1960, while over this period employment in finance, trade and services increased appreciably.

An increase of 2.8 percent. in total employment between September 1961 and 1962 compares with a fall of 1.7 percent. between September 1960 and 1961 and a rise of 4.2 percent. in the preceding twelve months. Between the Census dates of 1954 and 1961 the total number of employees (and the total work force) in the State rose at an average annual rate of 1.9 percent.

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	Building		Finance W/sale	Retail Trade	Health Other	TOTAL			
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Employment in September 1962 also increased in Victoria (by 3500 to 900,500), South Australia (by 1000 to 273,500) and Western Australia (by 1300 to 199,700) while small falls were registered for Queensland and by Tasmania.



An employment survey of larger privately-owned <u>factories in New South Wales</u> (by the Department of Labour & National Service and the Commonwealth Statistician) showed an increase of 1100 to 236,900 in October 1962, following on monthly increases of less than 1000 early in 1962. The total represented an increase of 10,100 over October 1961 but was still 8100 or 3 percent. below the peak of November 1960.

Increased activity largely due to seasonal demand, was reported during October from the electrical, building accessory, tyre, clothing and food industries, but this was partly offset by staff reductions in the steel, rolling stock and television industries. Out of a total of 788 reporting firms 226 (29%) increased staff, 414 (55%) were normal and 148 (18%) reduced staff; 70 percent. of the reporting firms worked overtime. Employment in the surveyed factories in October 1962 was higher than in October 1961 in all main industrial groups, but higher than in October 1960 only in the basic metals and food groups.

EMPIOYMENT IN LARGER FACTORIES SURVEYED - New South Wales

Industrial Group	Oct.1960	Nov.1960	Sep.1961	Oct.1961	Aug.1962	Sep.1962	Oct.1962
Building Materials	19.0	19.1	17.6	17.8	17.8	17.8	18.0
Basic Metals	42.6	43.1	43.1	43.6	45.6.	45.5	45.3
Transport Equipt.	23.1	23.2	18.9	19.4	21.7	21.7	21.6
Other Metal Mfrs.	61.5	61.0	53.4	53.6	55.5	55.7	56.3
Chemicals	13.4	13.4	13.0	12.9	13.3	13.3	13.3
Clothing, Textiles	33.5	33.5	28.7	29.1	31.1	31.1	31.2
Other (excl. Food)	28.4	28.7	26.6	27.0	27.7	27.9	28.1
Total, excl. Food	221.5	222.0	201.3	203.4	212.7	213.0	213.8
Food, Drink, Tobacco	22.7	23.0	22.5	23.4	22.6	22.8	23.1
TOTAL: Males Females	183.4 60.8	184.5 60.5	172.2 51.6	174.0 52.8	179.5 55.8	179.7 56.1	180.2 56.7
Persons	244.2	245.0	223.8	226.8	235.3	235.8	236.9

The usual seasonal increase in the demand for labour at the end of winter seems to have been a major factor in reducing the number of Unplaced Applicants, registered with the Commonwealth Employment Service offices in New South Wales, by 5300, during the last three months - from 34,800 in July 1962 to 29,500 in October. Reductions in the corresponding period were 7700 (to 35,400) in 1961, 3900 in 1960 and 7500 in 1959. The reduction in the month of October 1962 was confined to males; a fall of 1900 reduced the total of male applicants to 18,200 which is 26 percent. less than a year earlier but still three times as high as in October 1960. The number of female applicants rose by 600 in 1962 to a total of 11,300, which is 5 percent. higher than in October 1961 and more than twice as much as two years ago. The number of juniors (under 21) seeking placement in New South Wales remained substantial both in actual numbers (8700) and as a proportion of total applicants (20 percent. of males and 44 percent. of females). An occupational analysis of unplaced applicants at end of October showed that of the males about one third each were in the "unskilled manual" and the "skilled and semi-skilled manual (other than metal and electrical)" groups, while a large proportion of female applicants were in the "clerical" group.

Unfilled Vacancies have increased in recent months, as is usual at this time of the year; but at 10,500 in October they were only 500 higher than in October 1961 and less than one half the number recorded in October 1960. The number of persons in receipt of <u>Unemployment Benefits</u> in New South Wales was reduced from 15,000 in September 1962 to 13,600 (9500 males and 4100 females) in the last week of October; this is a fall of 3900 in males and of 200 in females over the past twelve months.

COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYMENT	SERVICE -	RVICE - Registrations in N.S.W. ()					A.C.T)	- Tho	usands
	Jan.	Oct.	Jan.	Sept.	Oct.	Jan.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.
	1960	1960	1961	1961	1961	1962	1962	1962	1962
UNPLACED APPLICANTS:									
Males: Juniors (under 21 Adults.	10.0	1.5	4.7	5.1 23.0	4.4 20.2		4.4	4.1 16.0	3.7
Total	14.4	6.4	16.4	28.1	24.6	30.9	21.80	20.1	18.2
Females: Juniors (under 21 Adults	4.2 5.0	2.1	4.6	4.4 6.4	4.4 6.4	_	4.9 6.2	4.7 6.0	5.0 6.3
Total	9.2	5.3	8.6	10.8	10.8	16.2	11.1	10.7	11.3
Persons: Total	23.6	11.7	25.0	38.9	35.4	47.1	32.9	30.8	29.5
UNFILLED VACANCIES: Persons ON UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT "	14.6	3.2	17.0	7.5	10.0	Indianania del Contra de la Con	8.5		10.5

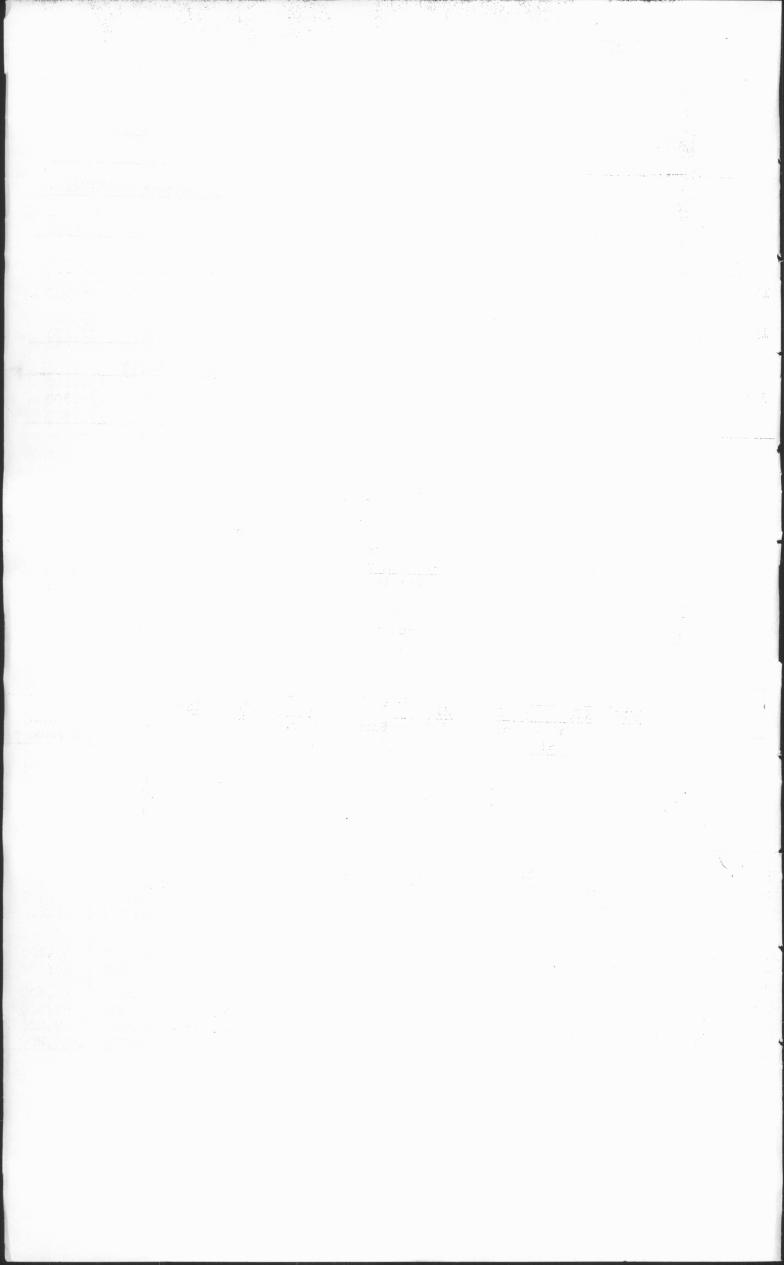
Following decreases in all States, except Queensland, the number of Unplaced Applicants for employment in Australia fell in October 1962 by 3300 to 72,600, which is the lowest since January 1961. About one quarter of the applicants in October 1962 were under the age of 21. The number of persons on Unemployment Benefit at 3rd November 1962 totalled 33,900 (23,400 males and 10,500 females) which is the lowest since March 1961.

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	N.S.W. Victoria	Q'land S	outh A	West A	Tasmania	AUSTRALIA
	UNPLACED APPLICANT	IS registere	d with	C'wealth	n Employmer	t Service
1960 - 28th Oct.	11,600 7,500	7,100	3,300	3,300	1,600	34,400
1961 - 29th Sept. 27th Oct.	38,900 32,100 35,400 27,200		2,100	5,500 5,200	3,900 3,700	109,100 96,500
1962 - 28th Sept. 2nd Nov.	30,800 19,600 29,500 17,500	/	5,400 5,000	4,600 4,400	3,500	75,900 72,600
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1962 - 27th Jan. 29th Sept. 3rd Nov.	19,900 13,700 15,000 10,500 13,700 8,700	15,300 5,300	3,600 2,100 2,000	3,200 2,100 2,100	1,800	57,100 36,800 33,900

OVERSEA MIGRATION - Australia

The net population gain for Australia from migration, at 16,200 in September quarter 1962, was the highest for any quarter in the past $1\frac{1}{2}$ years. This was mainly due to the unusually high net gain in the short-term movement (3700), resulting both from the large numbers of Australians returning from abroad and from an increased number of visitors. The net balance of permanent and long-term movements, at 12,500 in September quarter 1962, was nearly one third less than in June quarter 1962 or than in the September quarters of 1960 and 1959, although slightly in excess of the unusually low figure for September quarter 1961 (10,800). Arrivals of settlers at 20,000 in September quarter 1962 were not high compared with earlier periods (23,800 in June quarter 1962 and 20,600 in September quarter 1961

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Passenger journeys on the State railways at 64.4 mill. in September quarter 1962 were a little higher than at this time of last year although passenger train mileage on city and country runs was reduced by 2 percent. The volume of goods carried, particularly in coal, other minerals and livestock was a little less than last year but longer hauls kept up traffic in the terms of ton-mileage.

Earnings on working account in September quarter fell from £22.2m. in 1961 to £21.9m. in 1962 but working expenses fell more rapidly, and the working surplus rose from £2.1m. to \$2.6m. (as against £3.7m. in September quarter 1960).

NEW SOUTH WALES RAILWAYS	- September Quarter	1959	1960	1961	1962
Passenger Train, Suburbar Country Mixed and Goods Train TOTAL TRAIN MILES RUN	n, 000 Train Miles Run	2,845 2,408 3,956 2,209			2,799 2,516 4,107 9,422
_	oke mill, tons	n.a. n.a.	2.66	2.78	2.66 3.26
Total of a Livestock	**	5.42 n.a.	5.97	6.03	5.92
NET TON MILEAGE, Goods &	Livestock Million	n.a.	907	893	903
PASSENGER JOURNEYS	Million	63.7	64.8	64.0	64.4
Gross Earnings Working Expenses SURPLUS ON WORKING ACC	£mill.	20.36 17.92 2.44	22.70 18.99 3.71	22.18 20.13	21.87 19.32 2.55

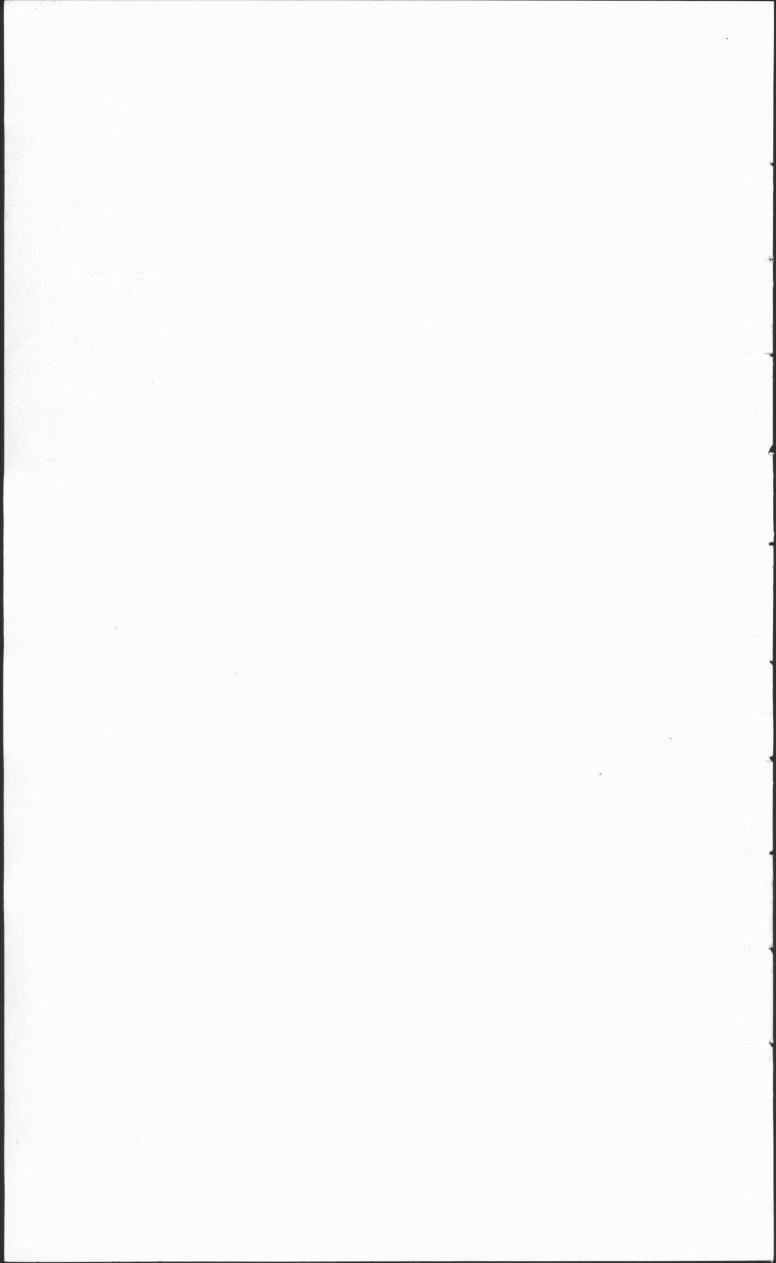
Bus mileage run on the Government services in Sydney and Newcastle fell by 3 percent. between September quarter 1961 and 1962, and gross earnings continued on the gradual downward trend of recent years; however working expenses were cut to a greater extent, and the deficit on working account for the September quarter was reduced from £269,000 in 1960 and £264,000 in 1961 to £217,000 in 1962.

44*	GOVERNMENT TRAMS &	BUSES - Wo	rking Acc	count	
Gross		Excess of		Bus	Miles
	Expenses Earnings ewoastle Sydney			SydneyØ	Newcastle
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progressive Conversion from trams to buses completed in Sydney in February, 1961

AIR TRANSPORT - Regular Services Operated by Australian-owned Airlines

For the year 1961-62, Internal airline traffic (passenger, freight and mail combined) in Australia was estimated at 14lm. short ton-miles performed or about 1 percent. less than in 1960-61. Passenger traffic (1,194m. passenger miles in 1961-62) increased by about 1 percent. and mail traffic (3.2m. ton-miles) rose by 4 percent., but continuing the trend of recent years, freight traffic fell by 8 percent. to 26.lm. ton-miles. The Passenger Loan Factor, or ratio of paying passenger-miles to available seat-miles, after falling from about 62 percent. in the four years ended June 1959 to 59 percent. in 1959-60, recovered to about 60 percent. in 1960-61 and 1961-62. Traffic in June quarter 1962 was heavier than a year marlier but the incidence of Faster (March in 1961 and April in 1962) affects comparison.



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Overseas traffic (all Qantas traffic, plus services to New Guinea rose in 1961-62 to new record levels on all the major routes, in particular in services to London, via New York and Middle East, and to New Zealand and Japan. Increases between 1960-61 and 1961-62 were 16 percent. in passenger traffic and 11 percent. in freight and mail traffic. However, aircraft capacity developed more rapidly, and the Passenger-Load Factor continued to fall (54 percent. in 1961-62 as against 56 percent. in 1960-61 and 60 percent in 1959-60.

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une Qr. 1961 1962	10.3 640 266 59.6 10.3 671 280 60.5	6.4 0.7	5.5 83 5.8 97	190 52.7 227 50.8	7.3 2.5 8.8 2.9

X Tagman Empire Airways Ltd. is excluded throughout.

paying Passengers. Load Factor as percent. of passenger miles to seat-miles available.

PRODUCTION - New South Wales (See also graph p.144)

Factory production in New South Wales during September and October 1962 reflected, on the whole, a continuing improvement over earlier periods. Out of a total of 88 separate items listed in monthly statistics about two thirds showed an increase in output over the preceding month; comparing the four-monthly period July-October (or where not yet available, September quarter) 1962 with 1961, two third of the items were higher, and comparing 1962 with 1960 production in the same four months rose for about one half of the number of items.

Expansion in production of power, iron and steel continues, though at a lower rate than in recent years. Production of basic building materials (cement, bricks, timber, tiles, paint) and of many types of building fittings and electrical goods made a strong recovery from last year's fall although in many cases it has not yet regained previous peak levels; this applies also to the dairying and cereal food industries.

	TT -9	Four	r Mo	nths	ended	:		nth	
PRODUCTION - New South	Wales	1960	1961	1 9	62	1960	ALIENSEN STERNING STE	And the second second second	962
		Oct.	Oct.	June	Oct.	Oct.	Oct.	Sept.	Oct.
Electricity G a s Pig I r o n Ingot S t e e l C e m e n t B r i c k s	m.kWh. m.therm 000 tons "" million	3463 47.3 895 1263 406 166	3622 47.9 1004 1364 375 159	3859 42.9 1082 1383 368 154	4307 46.7 1039 1408 382 168	809 10.6 230 314 101 40	837 9.9 226 337 97 37	1002 10.4 240 339 92 39	1015 10.3 262 360 98 43
Electric Stoves Hotwater Systems Refrigerators (Dom.) Washing Machines (Dom.) Radio Sets Television Sets	thousand "" "" "" "" ""	19.0 25.3 52.8 37.6 119	13.1 24.3 34.1 36.6 84 58	17.3 22.4 23.4 39.9 80 95	21.2 23.6 39.5 35.6 107 73	4.6 5.9 14.4 9.5 42 19	6.1	4.5 5.3 9.6 9.1 30 14	5.9 5.8 12.9 8.5 33 14
Motor Car Bodies Int.Combustion Engines Electric Motors Batteries	thousand "1 "1	27.9 45.4 521 429	27.7 69.0 378 326	33.6 26.0 384 450	41.2 85.8 453 397	6.8 24.7 135 91	6.1 32.2 108 70	9.9 25.0 122 93	10.6 26.6 124 100

Coal production in New South Wales in 1962 up to the first week of November was maintained at last year's record level of 16m. tons for the period of the major metals mined in the State in the first nine months of 1962 showed a major increase over the production level of recent years.

MINEAL PRODUCTION = New South Wales - Mineral Contents Produced CAD IIUM January- LEAD COPPER SILVER ZINC GOLD Forty-Six COAL 000 tons tons tons September weeks ended m. tons 598 2859 6475 10 151 7/11/1959 1959 13.7 5/11/1960 4/11/1961 3/11/1962 175 166 2616 6369 656 171 10 15.1 16.1 1960 645 1961 182 2674 5838 16.1 1962 224 186 2934 7571

Statistics of new dwelling approvals for September and October 1962 did not maintain the general upward trend which had been evident earlier in the year. The number of approvals for dwellings fell from over 3000 in both July and August 1962 to 2862 in September and 2829 in October; this was about the same as in October 1961 but a quarter less than in October 1960. For other building a fall in new government projects in October 1962 was balanced by a relatively high level of approvals for office and factory buildings.

NEW BUILDING APPROVED Australia New South Wales Total Houses Other All New Houses All New Flats Houses & Flats Building & Flats Building Building £ m i 1 1. £mill. Number Value (Excl. Land) No. 1960 - Jan.-Oct. 27,147 545.2 9,982 37,129 121.7 90.7 212.4 93,610 85.1 179.4 67,424 452.1 26,995 196h - Jan.-Oct. 21,905 5,090 94.3 524.0 5,297 96.1 200.8 76,319 28,349 104.7 1962 - Jan.-Oct. 23,052 10,569 59.5 2,606 22.8 1960 - October 1,127 3,733 12.7 10.1 2,251 7,024 53.2 362 2,613 9.6 12.4 22.0 1961 - September 2,836 43.1 8.7 21.1 7,165 2,322 514 12.4 - October 55.8 3,318 8,258 2,799 519 19.8 1962 - August 12.2 7.6 2,862 21.2 8,985 56.4 2,284 578 10.5 10.7 - September 58.7 8,276 2,234 595 2,829 10.4 11.0 21.4 - October

The number of new dwellings commenced: in New South Wales slowly recovered from 7400 in March quarter 1962 to 7600 in June quarter and 8300 in September quarter; the latter figure was higher than in September quarter 1961 (8000), although well below the exceptionally high total of 9600 in this period of 1960. For the nine months ended September, commencements of flats fell from 5400 in 1960 to 4200 in 1961 and 1962 and those of houses declined from 21,900 and 20,000 to 19,100 in the respective years.

Following the relatively low commencements earlier in the year, completions of dwellings at 7500 in September quarter 1962 were the lowest for any quarter in two-and-a-half years and the total for January-September fell from 26,500 in 1964 to 23,300 in 1962. The number of houses under construction, at 15,300 at the end of June and 16,000 at the end of September 1962, was much less than in recent years.

NEW BUILDING - Number of Dwelling Units in Houses and Flats

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	C	OMMENCEM	ENTS	O	OMPLETION	COMMENCEMENT			
	1960	1961	1962	1960	1961	1962			
Quarter: March June September	8,000 9,700 9,600	8,600 7,600 8,000	7,400 7,600 8,300	8,000 9,000 8,600	9,500 8,900 8,100	8,200	15,800 15,300 16,000	20,100 19,200 21,600	
Jan-Sept.: Houses Flats	21,900 5,400	20,000	19,100	22,100 3,500	21,400	19,000 <u>4,300</u>	4,200	7,800	56,100 8,500
TOTAL	27,300	24,200	23,300	25,600	26,500	23,300	16,000	60,900	64,600

Commencements of dwellings in <u>Australia</u> also showed a moderate rise during 1962; the total for the nine months ended September (64,600) was 6 percent. more than in this period of 1961 but 12 percent. less than in January-September 1960.

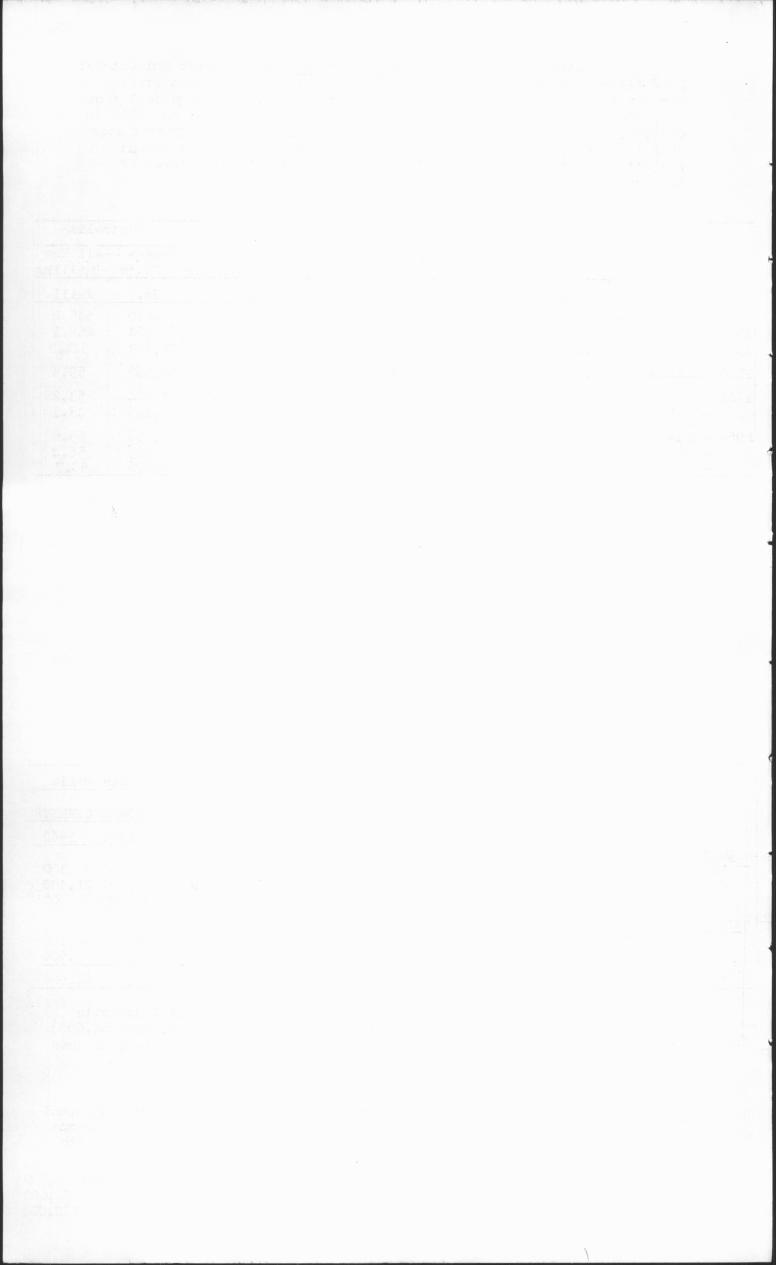
MOTOR VEHICLES - New Registrations (See also graph p. 144)

Registrations of new vehicles have been at record levels in recent months, and the total for N.S.W. in the ten months ended October at 102,000 in 1962 was one third more than in 1961 and 7% more than in 1960 (for Australia 264,100 in the 1962 period, or 36% and 3% respectively more than in 1961 and 1960).

N.S.W. Jan-Oct.1960: Cars 61,300; Station Wagons 14,300; Trucks etc. 20,100; Total 95,700

" 1961 " 48,500 " 13,300 " 14,800 " 76,600

" 1962 " 67,200 " 17,900 " 16,900 " 102,000



BANKING - G e n e r a l , Australia

Statistics of money supply reflect the business recovery during the current year. The Australian volume of money (defined as holdings by the public of notes and coin plus deposits with trading and savings banks) increased by £95m. (to £4013m.) in September quarter 1962, as compared with an increase of £69m. in the corresponding period of 1961; the annual rate of increase of 7.9 percent. between September 1961 and 1962 was well above the growth rate of recent years.

Following recent trends, the principal increase between September 1961 and 1962 was in savings deposits (£182m.) and fixed trading bank deposits (£71m.). In the more active portions of the money supply, current bank deposits, which had declined by £106m. in the preceding twelve months, recovered by £33m. in the 1961-62 period, and the note and coin issue rose by £8m., following a decline of £4m. in the twelve months ended September, 1961.

70 LUME OF	MOŅE	Y - Aus	stralia	(As stated	d in Rese	erve Ban	k Bullet	in)
Month	1959	1960	1961	1962	1959	1960	1961	1962
11011 011	Amo	unt	in £m	i 1 1.	Percen	t. Rise	on Previ	ous Year
December (previous year) March June September DETAILS FOR SEPTEMBER:		3,574 3,619 3,596 3,620	3,701 3,701 3,650 3,719	3,877 3,957 3,918 4,013	1.5 2.9 5.1 7.2	7.8 7.6 7.7 5.4	3.5 2.3 1.5 2.7	4.8 6.9 7.5 7.9
Savings Bank Deposits Trading Bank: Fixed Ø Other Ø Notes & Coin Issued	1,435 330 1,278 390	1,563 324 1,326 407	1,624 472 1,220 403	1,806 543 1,253 411	8.7 6.5 7.4 2.4	8.9 - 1.8 3.8 4.4	3.9 45.7 - 8.0 - 1.0	11.2 15.0 1.1 2.0

Ø Excl. Govt. & Interbank deposits.

Variations in the money volume mainly derive from changes in the balance of payments, as reflected in international reserves, and in the level of bank advances and bank investments in Government securities. All these factors contributed to the increase recorded in the twelve months ended September 1962. International reserves which had fallen by £90m. between September 1959 and 1960 and had then recovered by £71m. in 1961 (excl. loan of £78m. from International Monetary Fund, since repaid), made a further gain of £66m. to £561m. in September 1962 which is the highest level for that month since 1957. Advances by the savings banks continued to rise (up £38m. to £385m. in September 1962), and an increase of £61m. brought trading bank advances back to near the level of September 1960. Further increases were also made in the holdings of Government securities by the savings banks (up £126m. to £1259m.) and trading banks (up £17m. to £367m.).

1	MAJOR	ASSETS	S OF A	USTRA	ALIAN	BANKI	NG S	YSTEM		appears the description of the same		
	19	5 9	19	5 0	19	61	19	6 2		1960 19		1962
	As	a t	Sej	o t e	m b e	er - £	mi	11.	Percen	t.Annua	LI U	nange
International Reserves:		514		424		x495		561	+ 7	-18 +1	l7x	+13
Advances: Savings Banks Trading Banks	269	1286	312 1169	1481	347 1104	1451	385 1165	1550	+ 1	+15 -	2	+ 7
Government Securities: Reserve Bank Savings Banks Trading Banks ≠ Total of Above	480 1021 318	1819 3619		1879 3784	483 1133 350	<u>1966</u> 3912	487 1259 367	2113 4224	+ 9	+ 3 + + 5 +	5 3	· 7 + 8

Excl. Govt. deposits but incl. loans to short-term money market dealers.
x Proceeds of a £78m. loan from International Monetary Fund are excluded
for purposes of this table.

MAJOR TRADING BANKS - Australia

Current (non-interest) Deposits with the major trading banks in Australia rose seasonally by £33m. in October 1962, as compared with rises of £25m. in October 1961 and £21m. in October 1960. However, the total of £1169m. for these deposits in October 1962 was only £31m. higher than a year earlier and remained £78m. less than two years ago. On the other hand, Fixed Deposits continued their upward trend (though at a lower rate than in 1961), and at £581m. in October 1962 they were £56m. higher than in October 1961 and £217m. more than in this month of 1960; thus sustaining the upward trend in total deposits from £1719m. in October 1960 to £1765m. in 1961 and £1866m. in 1962.

Statutory Reserve Deposits required £195m; in October 1962, corresponding to the comparatively low ratio of $10\frac{1}{2}$ percent. of customers deposits (to be raised to $11\frac{1}{2}$ percent. in November), while <u>liquid assets</u> were maintained at the comparatively high ratio of 24.4 percent.

MAJOR TRADING BANKS - Business within Australia

Month	DDD	OSITSO	F CUSTOMERS	ADVANCES	STATU-	Govt.	Cash	RATIO	TO D	EPOSITS
(Weekly	Fixed	Curre	n t Total	to Custo	-TORY	SECUR-	Items	Advan	- Stat	Cash
Average	TILLEG		Other	mers	RESERVE	ITIES	-	ces	Res.	Sec.
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			€ -	mill	i o n			Pe:	rce	n t.
1960-Sept.	366	104	1226 1,696	1,077	298	237	66	63.5	17.6	17.9
Oct.	364	108	1247 1,719	1,092	297	237	73	63.5	17.3	18.0
1961-Sept.	514	101	1113 1,728		213	359	72	57.9	12.4	25.0
Oct.	525	102	1138 1,765	1,007	215	387	70	57.0	12.2	25.9
1962-Mar.	561	95	1239 1,895	972	235	512	68	51.3	12.4	30.6
Aug.	570	113	1139 1,822	1,052	191	370	67	57.7	10.5	24.0
Sept	578	112	1136 1,826	1,046	191	379	66	57.3	10.5	24.4
Oct.	581	116	1169 1,866	1,052	195	386	69	56.4	10.5	24.4

An increase of £8m. to £1052m. in bank advances during October corresponded to the seasonal movement of earlier years, but their ratio to deposits at 56.4 percent. remained less than at this time of recent years.

New Overdraft Limits granted during October at £36m. were rather less than in recent months and were largely offset by cancellations. Total Overdraft Limits (excl. advances to wool buyers and term loans) at £1753m. thus remained near the September figure, although £148m. higher than in October 1961. Relating advances drawn to total limits, the "unused" portion of limits was 42 percent. in September/October 1962 as against about 40 percent. a year earlier.

MAJOR TRADING BANKS: ADVANCES & LIMITS (Excl. Te	mporary	Loans	to Wool	Buyers	& Term	Loans)	
	1960	196	1	1	962			
& m i l l i o n	July	July	Oct.	March	July	Sept.	Oct.	
Total Overdraft Limits (Second Wednesda		1571	1605	1683	1733	1752	1753	
Less: Advances Outstanding (Weekly Avg.) 1030	999	966	928	1026	1013	1017 736	
"Unused Overdraft Limits" (Approx. Balan	ice 652	572	639	755	707	739	736	
Percent. of Limits Used (Approx.)	61%	64%	60%	55%	59%	58%	58%	

<u>DEBITS TO CUSTOMERS ACCOUNTS - New South Wales</u> (Excl. Government Accounts at metropolitan branches and Central Banking business)

Money turnovers (as measured by bank debits) resumed their upward trend in 1962. As compared with the corresponding periods of 1961, debits were higher by 10 percent. in June quarter, 13 percent. in September quarter and 7 percent. in October 1962; as compared with 1960 they were higher by 8 percent., 5 percent. and 8 percent. respectively.

BANK DEBITS	Weekl;	y Averag	e - £ mi	llion	Percen	t.Change	on Previous	Year
New South Wales	1959	1960	1961	1962	1959	1960	1961	1962
March Quarter	239.7	239.9	305.6	320.2	7.7	22.3	4.3	4.8
June Quarter	260.2	321.3	315.7	347.1	11.4	23.5	-1.7	9.9
Sept, Quarter	272.2	327.2	304.3	343.4	16.6	20.2	-7.0	12.8
October	290.5	333.6	338.7	362.1	11.2	14.8	1.5	7.0
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Prices, as measured by major Australian indexes, showed only small fluctuations in the first three quarters of 1962. A slight downward movement in the Consumer Price Index in March and June quarters was reversed in September quarter, and the Index was then 0.4 percent. less than a year earlier. Small increases in the Wholesale Price Index (mainly in food) did not fully bring it back to last year's levels, and a recovery in the Export Price Index, evident in January-June 1962 was not maintained in September quarter, when prices for wool and other products weakened. The Import Price Index has remained very steady during the past two years.

			P R	RICE	IND	EXES - Aus	tralia		
<u></u>	107to	CONSUMER	WHOLE-	EXPORT	IMPORT	CONSUMER	WHOLESALE	EXPORT	IMPOR
	uarter	SALE		IMPORT	Quarter Year	Quarter Year	Quarter Year	Year	
		Base Yea:	r 1952 -	.53 = 1	00	Perc	entage (Change	
Sept.	1959 1960 1961	117 123 125	108 116 107	79 72 75	106 108 109	. +2.1 +4.4 +1.9	+1.7 +8.2 -7.7	- 7.	9 -0.9 3 +1.9 40.9
Dec. mMarch June Sept.	1961 1962 1962 1962	124 124 124 124	104 105 105 107	73 75 76 74	109 109 109 109P	- 0.4 - 0.2 - 0.1 + 0.2 -0.4	- 3.1 + 0.7 + 0.4 + 1.5 -0.7	- 3.1 + 2.5 + 2.0 - 3.0 -1.	7

A decrease of 0.8 percent. in the Consumer Price Index (Six Capitals) between the June quarters of 1961 and 1962 was followed by a rise of 0.2 percent. in September quarter. This resulted from a levelling—out in the Food Series, which had declined by 4.4 percent. (mainly in meat and polatoes) in the twelve months ended June 1962 coupled with a continuing rise in the housing series and minor advances in other series. Comparing the September quarters of 1961 and 1962, the food series declined by 3 percent., while housing rose by 3.2 percent. and the other components increased by less than $\frac{1}{2}$ percent. The decline in the aggregate index early in 1962 was evident in all capital cities, excepting Perth; all, except Adelaide, registered a small rise in the September quarter.

CON:	CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - Base Year 1952-53 = 100 - Six Capital Cities														
Quarter	1 H.O O O	Clothing & Drapery	Housin		old Supplies Equipment	Miscel	laneous	TOTAL							
Sept 1960 Sept 1961	126 128	111 112	141 149		111 112	4	.27 .28	123 125							
March - 1962 June - Sept	125 124 124	113 113 113	151 153 153		113 113 113	1	.28 .28 .28	124 124 124							
		A 1 1	Gro	ups	Index-	Six Cap	ital Citi	ies							
	Sydne	ey Melbou	irne F	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	Six Capitals							
Sept 1960 Sept 1961 Sept 1962	121 123 123	125 127 126	7	124 127 128	122 124 122	120 122 122	126 129 128	123 125 124							

The Australian Wholesale Price Index (1936/7 to 38/9 = 100) declined from a peak of 372 in August 1960 to 330 in November 1961; then a 3 percent. increase brought it back to 341 in August 1962, followed by a fall (the first for any month in 1962) to 339 in September. These movements strongly reflect the trend in the Food and Tobacco series (which has a weight of 56 out of 100 in the aggregate index). The series for Basic Materials declined slowly in 1962; an upward movement early in the year in the component Textile series was followed later by a fall, reflecting the trend in wool prices, and the series for Chemicals and Rubber & Hides tended downward throughout this period. The prices for Goods Principally Imported (as included in the Index) remained steady in 1962, and fluctuations affected mainly Goods Principally Home Produced.

	WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX = Australia - Base 1936/7 to 1938/9 = 100													
		Bas	ic M	CONTRACTOR AND	rials	}		Food	Goods	mainly				
Month	Tex-	Metals	Oils,	Chemi-	Building	Rubber	m- 1-7	de	Im-	Home	TOTAL			
	tile	and	Hatis,	cals	Mater-	&	Total	Tobac:	pur	Pro-	ALL			
	Fibres	Coal	Waxes		ials	Hides		Lco	tsic	luced	GROUPS			
Aug. 1960		401	225	329	439	365	347	392	280	410	372			
Nov. 1961		393	211	333	439	297	339	322	272	354	330			
Aug. 1962	390	387	211	319	439	284	335	346	270	371	341			
Sept.1962	390	389	210	319	439	281	336	342	270	368	339			
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The fall in the Export Price Index (New Series - Base Year 1959-60 = 100) from 98 in June quarter 1962 to 94 in August and September was mainly due to the fall in the component wool series (which has a weight of 51 out of 100 in the index) from 98 to 92 in the respective periods, but the other series, with the exception of meats and cereals (and gold), also showed minor falls during the quarter. Compared with recent years prices for me ts and cereals have been well maintained in 1962 and those for dairy produce showed a gain on 1961, while there have been relative falls in the dried and canned fruits, sugar, hides and metals series.

EXPORT PRICE INDEX - Australia - (Base Year 1959-60 = 100)

		Wool	Meats	Dairy Produce	Cereals	Dried/Can- ned Fruits	Sugar	Hides, Tallow	Metals,	Gold	ALL GROUPS
Index W	Veight	51	10	6호	12 =	2 ½	4	1	10½	2	100
1	1959	101	94	108	100	102	98	113	98	100	100
	1960	86	102	82	102	98	102	95	98	100	92
	1961	98	100	78	101	98	94	90	91	100	96
June	1962	98	97	86	112	92	87	78	90	100	98
Sept.	1962	92	102	85	111	91	86	74	87		94

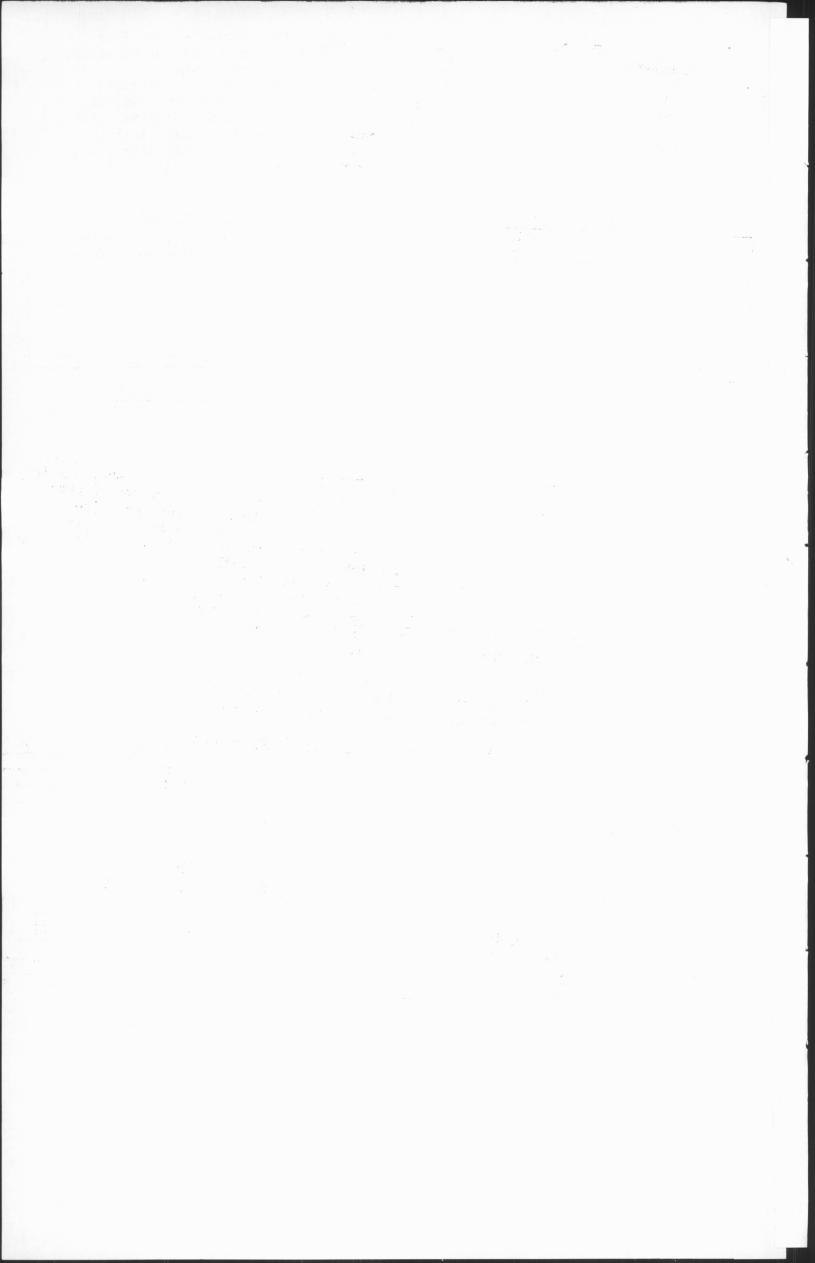
CAPITAL & MAINTENANCE EXPENDITURE of Private Businesses in Australia (This Survey, designed to measure trends of private investment, is limited to firms subject to Pay-roll Tax, covering about 78 percent. of private employment).

Estimated new capital expenditure by private firms in Australia declined from £255m. in July-December 1961 to £241m. in January-June 1962; at thisx level it was £3m. more than in January-June 1961 but was 5 percent. less than had been anticipated for the 1962 period. Comparing July-December 1961 and January- June 1962, there was a decline in new capital expenditure of the engineering, food and chemical industries, as well as in mining, transport and trade, which was only partly offset by heavier investment in the vehicle, textile, paper and 'other' groups. Expenditure on repairs and maintenance continued to rise over the last three periods, so that total capital and maintenance expenditure of £354m. in the first half of 1962 was only £6m. less than in the second half of 1961 and £12m. more than in the first half of 1961.

Expenditure on new capital equipment for the six months ended December 1962 is expected to rise by 14 percent., with increases expected for most industry groups, in particular for new construction.

CAPITAL & MAINTENANCE EXPENDITURE - Private Business - Australia - £million												
		A C	T U A	LEXI	ENDI	TURE	ANTICIPATED					
	Year e	ended,	June		Six Month	s ended						
	1960	1961	1962	June '61	Dec. '61	June 162	Dec.1962					
New Capital Expenditure:		1		4	1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 -							
Manufacturing	226	268	274	134	140	134	154					
Mining	20	23	24	12	12	12	16					
Transport	42	31	38	14	25	14	15					
Wholesale & Retail Trade	99	103	87	45	45	41	53					
Other (a)	60	68	72	33	33	40	37					
Total: New Building	152	177	169	87	84	86	106					
Other New Cap. Equipment	295	316	326	151	171	155	169					
All New Capital Equipment	447	493	495	238	255	241	275					
Repairs & Maintenance	193	207	218	104	105	113						
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	640	700	713	342	360	354						

(a) Includes building, construction, finance, services; but survey excludes rural industries, Government undertakings and professions.



RETAIL SALES - Large Sydney Stores

Comparing 1962 with 1961, the value of turnovers_in large city stores was lower by 3.3 percent. in the month of September and higher by 3.1 percent. in October of 1962; this may be largely due to the different incidence of business days (one less in September and one more in October 1962). For the ten months ended Oc tober, the value of sales was 0.4 percent. higher than in 1961 but about 3.7 percent. less than in 1960. A comparison by main categories for the nine months ended September 1961 and 1962 shows falls in the current year of 6 percent. for piece goods and of 10 percent. for television sets, but an increase of 14 percent. for other electrical goods and 3 percent. for general hardware, with little overall change for clothing.

LARGE SYDNEY STORES: Percent, Rise or Fall (-) Compared with Previous Year

abulati de de la Col de de la Col de de la Col de de de la Col de la Co	Actual of Busine	Number			of Sales	etaggingun men dan stern utarum atarih dagai napen bern eta ma	Value of Stock Beginning of Month			
	1961	1962	1959	1960	1961	1962	1960	1961	1962	
March Qr. June Qr. July August Sept. October	74 74 26 27 26 25	76 73 26 27 25 26	- 3.0 0.9 - 1.1 1.5 3.4 - 2.9	9.9 6.2 0.7 12.3 3.2 1.6	- 0.5 - 5.1 - 6.7 - 7.6 - 6.4 - 5.0	- 1.8 1.4 1.9 5.6 - 3.3 3.1	1.9 4.3 3.3 5.7 4.0 3.5	5.3 3.2 -0.6 -0.4 0.9 -1.5	- 4.8 - 0.2 3.3 2.2 1.4	
Jan-October	252	253	- 0.4	6.4	- 4.1	0.4 1			1	

INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES - New South Wales & Australia

Between December 1960 and April 1961, balances outstanding under instalment credit schemes of non-retail finance businesses fell from £171m. to £151m. in New South Wales and, correspondingly, from £438m. to £368m. in Australia; thereafter balances began to rise and at the end of **Ectober** . 1962 stood at £385m. in Australia (N.S.W. figures not yet available). Instalment oredit granted by retailers was not much affected by the tighter conditions of 1961, and throughout that year, balances outstanding remained near £200m. in Australia (£78m. in N.S.W.); balances in Australia then rose to £209m. in June 1962. The total amount owing under instalment credit for retail sales, financed by all businesses reached a peak of £640m. in Australia (£251m. in N.S.W.) at the end of 1960 and was £579m. in June 1962.

INSTALMENT CREDIT FOR RETAIL SALES - Balances Outstanding at End of Period - £ million (Classified to type of business on whose paper the original agreement was written)

	Non-Retai	1 :Finance Bus	sinesses	Retailers	All Businesses
	N.S.W.	Other States	Australia	Australia	Aus tralia
1960 December 1961 September	171 154	267 2 2 8	438 382	202 199	640 581
1962 April June	151 153	217 217	368 370	n.a. 209	n.a. 579 n.a.
June October	153 n.a.	217 n.a.	370 385	209 n.a.	1

SYDNEY STOCK EXCHANGE

The Svdney Stock Exchange's industrial index of share prices (1936/139=100) fell from 346 in February 1962 to 295 in the second week of October, which was lower than at any time since the end of 1960. A strong recovery in the third week of October raised the index to 310 on the 22nd of that month but following the international crises over Cuba it was reduced by 4 percent. to 299 on the 24th October. A subsequent recovery was not fully maintained, and by the 21st November the index stood at 303.

SYDNEY STOCK EXCHANGE, INDUSTRIAL SHARE INDEX, On Base of 1936/1938 = 100

								19	6 2		
			1960	1	961	February	July	August	Sept.	Oct.	Nov. (to 21st)
Peak	\circ f	Period	375 (Sept.)	340	(June) 346	313	309	305	310	309
Low	$\circ f$	Period	287 (Nov.)	297	(Jan.) 328		302	296	295	3 23

Governmental revenue totalling £58m. in July-October 1962 was £4.6m. more than in the corresponding period of 1961, due to increased receipts both from the Commonwealth General Grant (up £2.3m), and from State taxes and miscellaneous accounts (up £2.3m.). In the same four months, debt charges and ordinary departmental expenditure required an additional £6m. in the current year.

A rise in railway revenue, combined with a reduction in expenditure on this account, increased the working surplus of the business undertakings for the four months from £2.7m. in 1961 to £4.2m. in 1962. Gross loan expenditure of £17.3m. in the four months of 1962 was £300,000 higher than in 1961.

NEW SOUTH WALES GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTS - & million

	July	7 - Oct	tober		Jul	y - Octo	ober			
REVENUE	1960	1961	1962	EXPENDITURE	1960	1961	1962			
Cwth. General Grant State Taxátion	24.3	26.4	28.7 16.2	Net Debt Charges	11.2	13.3	15.5			
Other Governmental	10.2	11.6	13.1	Other, excl. above:						
Total Governmental	48.9	53.4	58.0	Departmental	42.5	46.6	50.4			
Railways Tram & Bus Service Harbour Services	29.4 4.0 1.3	28.6 3.9 2.3	3.9	Railways Tram & Buses Harbour Service	24.9 4.3 .8	26.5 4.4 1.2	25 • 4 4 • 4 1 • 1			
Total Business	34.7	34.8	35.1	Total Business	30.0	32.1	30.9			
TOTAL REVENUE	83.6	88.2	93.1	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	83.7	92.0	96.8			
GROSS IOAN EXPENDITURE ON WORKS & SERVICES 14.8 17.0 17.										

THE SEASON - New South Walce (See also graph p.143)

All parts of New South Wales, with the exception of the Far North Coast and portions of the Western Division, benefited from good rainfalls and mild weather during September and October 1962. Pastures and stock are in good condition, and crop prospects are very favourable.

RAINFALL IN EX - New South Wales, "Normal Rainfall" for each period * 100

35 (1)		She	ep Di	stric	ets	Wheat Districts Coastal Dai:					-		
Month	N	C	S	W	Total	N	C	S	Total	N	C	S	Total
1962 - January - February - March - April - May - June - July - August - September	227 106 154 123 82 10 113 132	194 89 62 36 171 21 114 132 88	67 82 81 150 39 82	307 24 229 36 93 21 122 117	131 24 104 132	132 108 104 93 9 68	208 89 55 42 187 25 97 199 68	315 55 93 68 160 42 88 91	277 74 85 66 158 33 87 122 91	120 241 112 19 363	231 67 91 223 222 10 98 70 74	168 154 50 62 115 3 48 55 222	217 83 103 213 141 15 255 114 84
- October	182	113	99	68			114	98	113	46	110	74	66

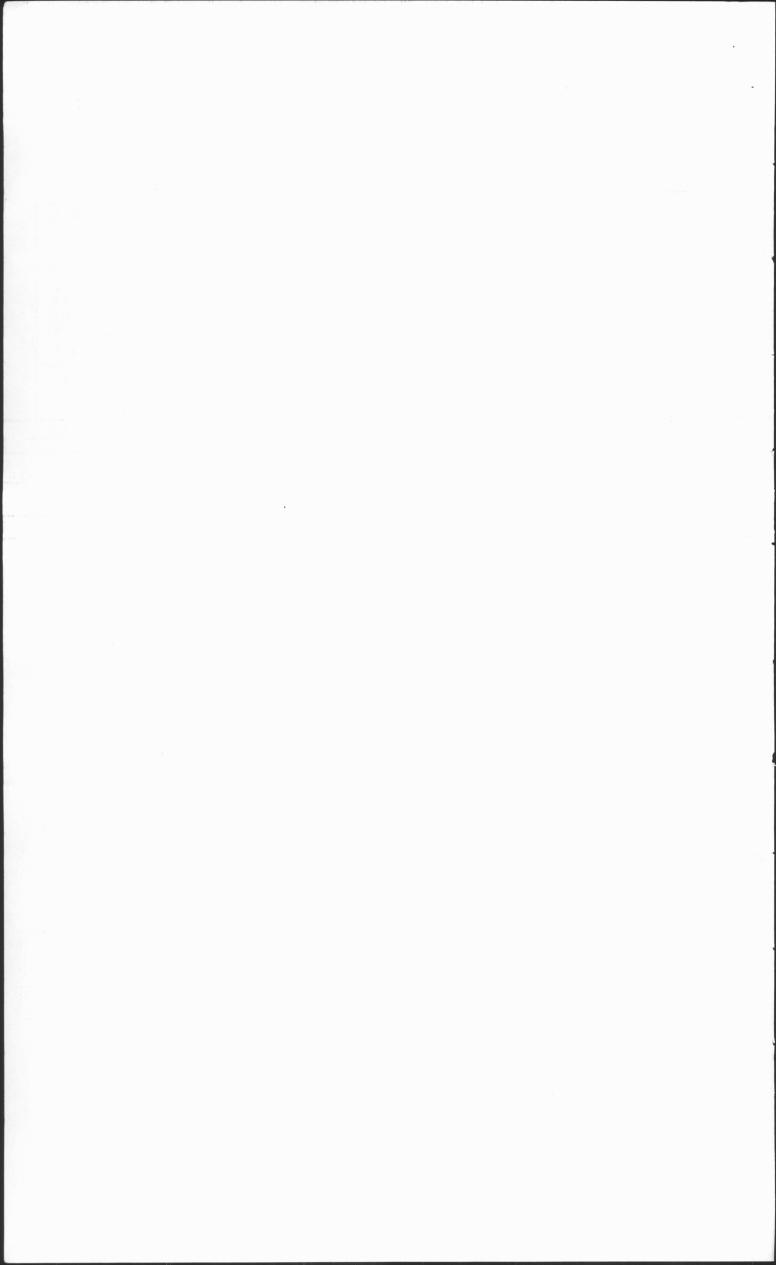
N: Northern, C: Central, S: Southern, W: Western.

A preliminary forecast, issued by the New South Wales Department of Agriculture early in November, expects the current wheat crop to reach 92m. bus. stripped from $4\frac{3}{4}$ m. acres, with an average yield of 19.4 bus. per acre. This would be the largest area harvested for wheat grain since 1947-48 with an above-average yield per acre, and would result in the second highest crop on record; in 1961-62 the crop totalled 78m. bus., while the record was £95m. in 1947-48, as compared with an average for the seventeen post-war seasons (to 1961-62) of 57m. bus.

DAIRYING

Dairy production in New South Wales of 24.9m. gall. in September 1962 was the lowest for that month since 1957, and production for the September quarter, at 65m. gall. in 1962, was also less than in 1961 (68.4m. gall) and some earlier years. Intake of milk by butter and condensory factories in the quarter was correspondingly reduced while supplies to the Milk Board were maintained.

WHOLEMILK - New South Wales - Million Gallons										
	1958 –5 9	1959-60	1960-61	1961-62	1962-63					
USE		September Quarter								
F	2.2	34.5(16m.lbs) 1.8 3.8 20.3 11.3	26.8(12m.lbs.) 2.0 3.7 20.6 11.1	29.5(14m.1bs) 2.3 4.3 22.3 10.0	27.1(13m.lbs.) 2.1 3.3 22.5 10.0					
Total	65.5	71.7	64.2	68.4	65.0					
	Year ended June									
Total	327.7	348.4	319.4	342.8						



Wool deliveries for the four months July-October into the main New South Wales stores (other than Albury) at 792,000 bales in 1962 were 41,000 bales less than in 1961 and the lowest for the period since 1952. The decline was mainly in Sydney; receipts into Newcastle were near the level of recent years, and those into Goulburn continued to expand. Usually well over one half of the season's total is in store by the end of October.

FIRST-HAND DELIVERIES OF WOOL, Sydney, Newcastle & Goulburn Stores, 000 bales

	1957	1958	1959	1960	1961	1962
July-October	881	889	966	813	833	792
Percent. of Year's Total	63%	54%	57%	53%	54%	

The wool selling schedule so far this season has been comparatively heavy, and the balance of 373,000 bales in store at the end of October was less than at this time of recent years. The average Price realised in the four months of 1962, at 54d per lb. greasy, was about the same as in July-October 1961, but, because of the larger volume sold, proceeds for the four months rose from £30.8m. to £33.5m. in the current year.

NEW SOUTH WALES WOOL STORES (Excluding Albury) - Four Months ended October

			492 478		1961		1962	2	
				e Centr	es	Sydney	Newcastle	Goulburn	Total
RECEIPTS (Incl. DISPOSALS	Carryover)	000 Bales	*		atten einem materialen einem meter einem einem eine eine eine	575 340	208 122	82 30	865 492
VALUE OF SALES	(4 months)	£ mill.	33.5	28.6	30.8	23.0	8.4	2.1	33.5

Stronger competition from buyers from Europe and Japan was evident at the wool sales held at Australian centres in October, and the average price realised, on a full-clip basis, rose from 52d per 1b. greasy in August and September 1962 to 54d in October which is close to the average price realised in the 1961-62 season (54.6d). The market remained firm at the sales held during the first half of November.

WOOL PRICE = N.S.W. = Pence per lb. greasy - (Average Price that would be realised if whole clip were sold at price level of month shown)

SEASON	July	August	September	October	January	May	June	Season
1956-57 1959-60 1960-61 1961-62 1962-63	65.0 54.0 N 52.0 56.0 N	69.0 59.0 N 48.0 56.0 52.0	75.0 57.0 48.5 55.0 52.0	73.0 57.0 48.0 53.0 54.0 P	79.0 58.0 50.0 52.0	83.0 55.0 57.0 56.0	79.0 55.0 56.0 56.0	80.5 57.4 51.9 54.6

N: Nominal.

P: Preliminary.

Wool deliveries in July- October 1962 were less than last year in all States, and the Australian total fell by 6 percent. from 2.96m. bales in the four months of 1961 to 2.77m. bales in 1962. Sales however proceeded more rapidly in the 1962 period, and proceeds rose from £99m. in 1961 to £100m., although average values fell, from £70 to £68 per bale and from 54d to 53d per lb. of greasy wool.

WOOLAUSTRALIA_	July_Detober_	1959	1960	1961	1962
Received by Brokers	000 Bales	3,041	2,743	2,959	2,770
S o 1 d by Brokers	11 11	1,371	1,360	1,420	1,479
Average Weight per bale	sold, lb. of greasy wool	304	307	311	309
Total Value of Sales		102,7	83.6	99.8	100.3
Average Value per bale o		€75	£61	£70	£68
Average Value per 1b. c	f greasy wool	59d.	48d.	54d.	53d.



World production of wool is estimated to have reached the record figure of 568lm. lbs. (in terms of greasy) in 1961-62, thus continuing the general upward trend of recent years which has now lifted production to about 50 percent. above the level of the immediate pre-war and post-war periods. Expansion in Australia was even greater and her share in world production increased from 26.3 percent. in 1934/38 to 29.9 percent. in 1959/60 and 1961/62 (Australia proportion of world merino wool production is well over 50 percent.). New Zealand and the U.S.S.R. also increased their share in world wool output, while South Africa and Argentine and Uruguay showed a relative decline. Production in the United States remains below the pre-war level.

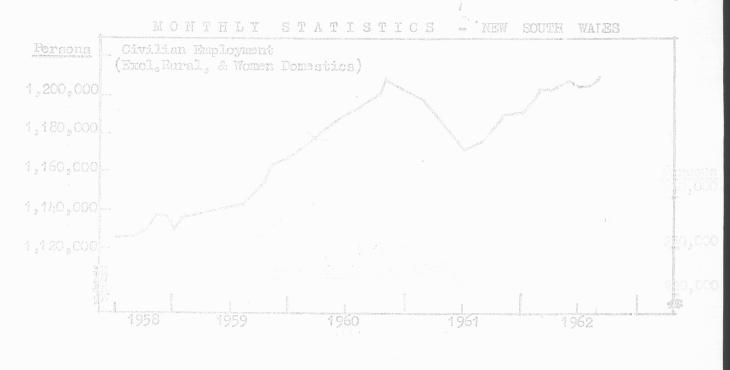
Consumption of wool (by wool textile industries) in the United Kingdom remains the highest for any single country, but as a proportion of world consumption it has fallen from $2l\frac{1}{2}$ percent. in 1934/38 to 14.3 percent. in 1961; and while the intake of wool into the textile industries of the United States and the Common Market countries has increased by between one fifth and one third, as compared with pre-war, their share in world consumption has also fallen. The principal increase in demand in recent years has come from Japan and the communist countries (USSR, China etc.).

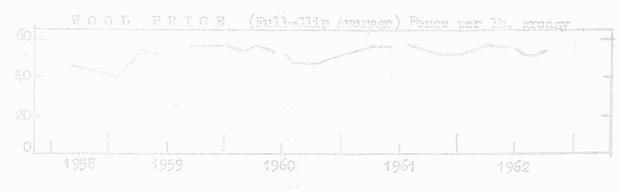
The production of both wool and cotton is now about one-and-a-half time as much as pre-war, but over the same period the production of man-made fibres has increased about five-fold. The proportion of wool in total clothing fibres (main types, by weight) has declined from about 12 percent. in 1934/38 and 10 percent. in 1954/58 to $9\frac{1}{2}$ percent. in 1961., and that of cotton has fallen correspondingly from 80 percent. to 70 percent. and 68 percent.; on the other hand the proportion for man-made fibres has risen from 8 percent. to 21 and 22 percent. during this period.

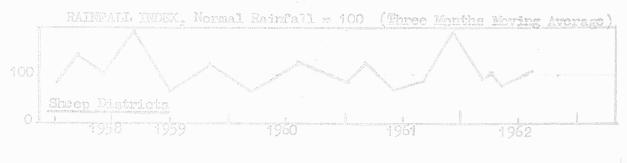
ESTIMATED WORLD PRODUCTION AND CONSUMPTION OF WOOL AND OTHER FIBRES										
	Yearly 1934/8	Average	1959	1960	1961	Yearly 1 1934/8	1954/8	1959	1960	1961
		1 1 i o	n L	bs.		and the second s	and the same of th	. o f	Tot	al
WOOLPRODU	JCTI	0 N (In	Terms	of Gr	reasy)	Year end	led foll	Lowing	June	
Australia	995			1,625	1,700	26.3	29.1	29.9	29.0	29.9
New Zealand	299	489	577	588	599	7.9	9.8	10.3	10.5	10.5
South Africa	259	311	319	317	322	6.8	6.2	5.7	5.7	5.7
Argentine, Uruguay	489	586	582	612	595	12.9	11.7	10.4	10.9	10.5
United States	470	305	319	323	318 760	12.4	6.1 11.8	5.7 13.8	5.7 13.8	13.4
U.S.S.R.	200	589	774	777	• 11	5.3	25.3	24.2	24.4	24.4
Other Countries	1,077	1,614	1,302	1,300	1,387	as Anton process and a service of the service of	C. J & J	C. 24 0 E.	L 4 5 4	- ch = - d
WORLD PRODUCTION	3,789	5,012	5,613	5,610	5,681	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
WOOLCONS						n Equiva	alent) (Calenda	ar Year	
				-		1	1	16.2		14.3
United Kingdom	435	468 666	509 686	481	472	21.5	16.9	21.8		22.3
European Common Market	541 310	356	396	737	733 377	15.3	12.9	12.6		11.5
United States Japan	108	151	229	271	311	5.3	5.5	7.3		9.4
Eastern Europe, China	290	567	717	820	780	14.3		22.8		23.7
Australia	35	62	73	74	65	1.7	1	:2.3	2.2	2.0
Other Countries	306	493	533	525	554	15.2		17.0	15.9	16.8
WORID CONSUMPTION	2,025	2,763	3,143	3,282	3,292	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
. WORLD PRODUCTION (
			1	1		1	9.8	9.9	9.7	9.5
Wool (Clean Base)	2,228	20,4012		3,300		18	70.2	69.0		67.9
Cotton Silk	14,538	67	72	100	100		.2	.2	.3	.3
Man-Made Fibres	1,401		6.837	7,300		AI.	19.8		21.5	22.3
WORID PRODUCTION	18,286									100%

Sources; Commonwealth Statistician, Wool Production & Utilization Stat.Bull. No. 10, 1961-62, B.A.E. Statistical Handbook of the Sheep & Wool Industry. BA.E. The Wool Situation.

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